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Classy Bands Ring Up Sales; New Design Unique to Shaker

Sale of Shaker's new class rings has begun. This sale, planned by Bill Stern and a Student Council committee, will continue the entire year at Van Aken Jewelers and Gift Shoppe.

Lack of interest in the old ring was the most important

reason for designing another. The new ring, which will be supplied by Josten's of Minnesota, is available in three sizes, two for girls and one for boys. The ring is 10 carat gold. Red ruby, blue spinel, black onyx, shamrock, and aquamarine stones are available.

Van Aken Jewelers and Van Aken Shopping Center will handle all fittings and free adjustments. The price, which includes a five dollar deposit, ranges from \$20.65 to \$28.65. At the present time, drawings of the ring are on display at the jewelers'. Samples of the ring will arrive at the end of February. Students must wait six to eight weeks for delivery.

Planning for the sale was extensive. Plans for a new ring began with two Student Council motions. The council appointed a chairman, Bill Stern, who chose a thirty-member committee to help him. This committee met five times with Martin Meshenberg, Russell H. Rupp, and the administration.

The committee decided against a proposal to handle the sale through the school and chose to have Josten's handle the sale. Dr. Emery signed a contract under these terms. As a climax, the Student Council unanimously passed the motion for a new class ring.

Musicians Meet In LEL Program

Shaker High's orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Robert Leibold, will combine with the other Lake Erie school orchestras for a festival on Wednesday, February 5, at Shaker.

Approximately 175 musicians will present a single half hour assembly in the afternoon for Shaker students and faculty. At this yearly event the orchestra members gather to play and enjoy themselves, as well as prepare for the afternoon's program.

The guests will be at the high school from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. and eat lunch in the cafeteria. The participating schools are Brush, Cleveland Heights, Euclid, Lakewood, Parma, Shaw, Valley Forge, and Shaker.

This is the first time Shaker has been host for the Festival. The assembly for the tenth and part of the eleventh graders will consist of eight pieces: "Laura", "No String" selections, "Hay Up Ho Down", "St. Lawrence Overture", "Phantom Regiment", "Three Brothers Overture", "Parasol Promenade", and "Vivaldi Violin Concerto."

Bishop Takes Sabbatical; Australia-Bound for AFS

Today Mary Jo Bishop, Shaker's representative in the American Field Service program, is surfing off the waters of Sydney, Australia. Next Tuesday she starts classes as a senior at a girls' school in Sydney.

Along with other A.F.S. students, Mary Jo flew to Australia on January 20 via San Francisco, Honolulu, and the Fiji Islands. In Sydney the Lord Mayor held a civic reception on the town hall steps for the students.

From there Mary Jo joined her family for a brief summer vacation at the seashore before returning to their suburban home. The John Sanders family is host to Mary Jo in Sydney. She has two sisters, aged 15 and 17, and a little brother, aged 13.

Walk Together

Most boys and girls attend separate schools and each has a uniform in the school colors. Mary Jo will be wearing pale blue and navy blue.

When asked what she felt was the important purpose of the A.F.S. program, Mary Jo quoted its motto: "Walk together, talk together, all ye people of the earth, for then and only then shall there be peace." That's better than anything I could say.

Mary Jo will return next January to complete her junior year, and will graduate with her class in '65.

Mary Jo applied for A.F.S. in

the fall of this school year and was one of four finalists at Shaker. Mel Dunn, Barbara Harslem, and Jeffrey Pollock are still in competition for the Northern Hemisphere School Program and for the Summer Program. Final decisions for both programs will be received by late spring.



AFS-er Mary Jo Bishop bounced off to the land of the happy kangaroos January 19. She will be living in Sydney, Australia, for 12 months.



Bill Stern puts a fatherly arm around two sketches of the new Shaker Class Ring. Bill has been mother-henning this project for some time now as chairman of a Student Council committee. The special design of the ring was originated at the school.

'Dragon' to Drag in Funds For AFS Exchange Program

The National Thespian Society will present the play *Land of the Dragon*, written by Madge Miller, at the high school auditorium on Saturday, February 8, 1964, at 2:00 p.m. The American Field Service is sponsoring the play to raise money for its student exchange program. Price of admission is 50 cents.

This play is for the benefit of the children of the community. It is the first children's play the Thespian Society has attempted, and, if it is successful, the Society hopes to make it an annual event. In the words of John Barner, director of the production, "The play is mainly for children in grades three through six, although anyone is welcome to come."

Chinese Fantasy

The play is a Chinese fantasy done in Oriental style. It is concerned with princess Jane Pure who is about to become 18. If she is not married when she is 18, Lady Precious Harp will inherit the throne. Precious Harp is about to get the throne when Road Wanderer and his dragon come to the aid of Jane Pure.

Portraying the main characters in the play are Gloria Mosolygo as Jane Pure, Mimi Brock as Precious Harp, Joan Shafran, Pat McCubbin, Kathren Owens, and Mike Siegel as 21, 22, 23 and 24 cousins respectively, Biddle Robertson as Road Wanderer, and Alvin Davis as the dragon.

According to Mr. Barner, the main obstacle to the play will be the construction of a Chinese dragon.

Le Maitre Vient

French students and Eugene Ionesco fans will have a chance to see the play *The Leader*, acted, directed, and produced by members of the French Club, on Wednesday, February 5, at 3:30 p.m. in the small auditorium. Summaries of the play will be given so that everyone can follow this fast-moving avant-garde play which will be presented entirely in French. Because of the surprise ending, no one will be seated during the last five minutes of the performance!

Counselors Lead College Confabs

Five conferences, directed by the high school guidance staff for the purpose of discussing "College Admission in 1965," will be held for junior class parents starting on Tuesday, February 4, in Room 126.

Other sessions are scheduled for February 11, February 25, March 3, and March 10. All meetings will last from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

At the first meeting, counselors and parents will discuss selecting a college, writing to colleges, and college catalogues. Some topics for subsequent conferences will be visiting college campuses, completing application forms, college entrance examinations, and the cost of a college education.

Campus living, military obligations, and selection of subjects will be the questions under discussion at the last meeting.

The conferences will parallel the group conference classes held at Shaker, so that parents and students will be better able to discuss college admission and preparation.

Seniors Win Recognition On Ohio Scholarship Test

On the Ohio General Scholarship Test five Shaker seniors were ranked in the top eighteen students for all of Ohio. These seniors were Ken Johnson, Arthur Scott, Scott Cockrell, Richard Margulis, and Martin Rose.

Ken placed first in Northern Ohio and second in statewide competition. Arthur was tied for eighth in the statewide rankings.

Scott ranked tenth in the state, and Richard was seventeenth in the statewide standings. Martin was eighteenth. All five of these students were National Merit semi-finalists. Each of the boys will receive a special award certificate.

Students ranking in the top five per cent in the state will receive honorable mention certificates. The awards will go to the following Shaker students, named in order of rank: William Lorimer, Douglas Rose, Edward Kovachy, Joel Shook, Steven Green, Joan Bailey, Peter Shaw, Bruce Hughes, Jeffrey Woolf,

Scott Fields, and Frances Frankel.

Arnold Shankman, Steven Schwartz, James Krause, Anne Petty, Mark Bieber, Barbara Berg, Joseph Owens, William Sokol, Deborah Dutton, Lawrence Kater.

Andrew Goodman, John Feher, Barbara Bondar, Patricia Richards, Jeffrey Squires, Hana Umlauf, Richard Cohen, John Hrones, Jonathan Meyers, Lawrence Carlin, Lynn Goodman, and Jeffrey Wyner.

The Ohio General Scholarship Test is a test on the general knowledge which the students have accumulated in mathematics, English, and other subjects. Colleges and universities use the scores on this test to help them evaluate students for financial and scholarship awards.

Students Have Bang-up Time At Wild 'Wild West' Carnival

The "Wild West" was the theme of the annual Exam Bang, held on January 25 in the girls' gym and social room from 8:30 to 12:00 p.m. PTA members planned and directed the carnival.

The entertainment was a skit entitled "Daddy Doodle's Dandy Dude Ranch." Directed by Mrs. Reynold Crane, the following faculty members and parents participated: Alfred Lata, Robert Rice, Mrs. Jean Robson, I. J. Sanna, James Snively, Joe Szwaia, Donald Wile; Mr. and Mrs. Barney Bernon, Mrs. Sue Crane, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Forbes, Dr. and Mrs. William Jeffries, and Mrs. Eleanor Matey.

The booths, another annual

feature, included traditional fortune telling, a weight-guess, and squirt ping-pong; new features were coke-fishing, and a roulette wheel.

Mrs. John Cort and Mrs. Wilbur Grodin were general co-chairmen of the dance. Mrs. Ralph Corcoran was in charge of booths; Mrs. Russell Cooper, Mrs. J. Leonard Sands, and Mrs. Milton Turner planned decorations.

Zipper Catch Three LEL Foes In Open Clash

The Shaker wrestling team defeated three Lake Erie League teams in a row—Brush 24-14, Lakewood 19-18, and Cleveland Heights 25-15—after they lost their first L.E.L. outing to Valley Forge, 30-10. The Raiders have now won five of the season's eight meets.

The league-leading Patriots of Valley Forge surmounted nearly every obstacle in defeating the Red Raiders. However, one obstacle they did not surmount was Shaker co-captain Don Loveman who pinned his opponent.

Tom Saunders and Burt Weiss led Shaker over Brush as they both pinned their opponents. Don Black added another, more surprising victory. Black did not see action in the first three meets, but his record now shows three wins to two losses.

The Raiders were trailing Lakewood by four points going into the final match. Because a decision is only worth three points, the Raider heavyweight, Stu Sulzer, needed a pin, worth five points, to earn the victory; and he had lost five of his six previous matches. But this did not seem to bother Sulzer as he won his match and the meet by a pin.

Shaker defeated Heights to run their victory string to three. Don Loveman lost his first match of the season by a single point for riding time. Despite this, his record of six victories, one loss, and one tie is the team's best.

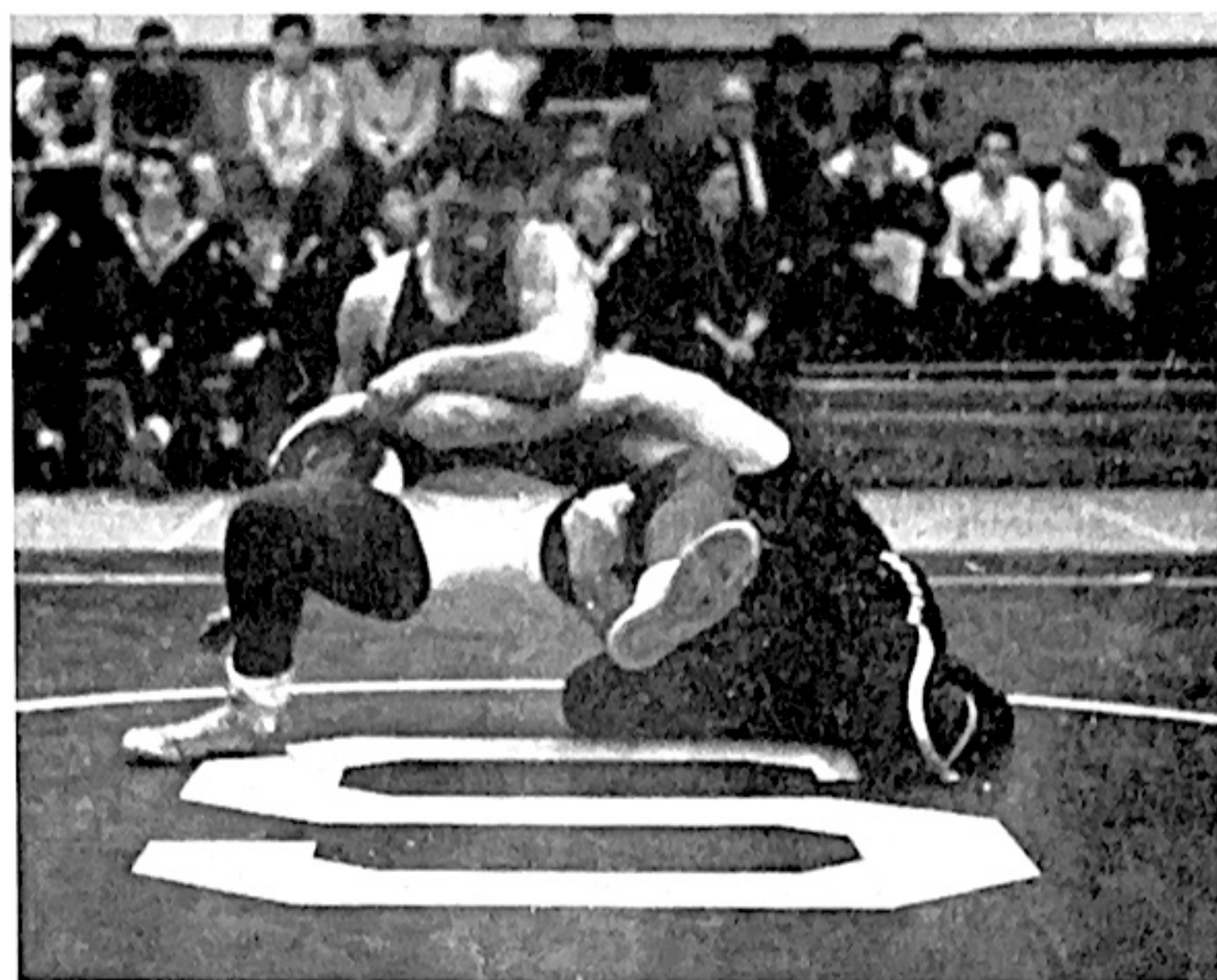
Shelly Pollock, with a 6-2 record, is close behind Loveman in the race for personal honors. Considering that Pollock is only a sophomore, and in one of the highest weight classes, his fine record is all the more laudable.

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Co-Captain Rick Cooper poses gracefully for our camera as he tries to sit this one out. In spite of a strong effort on his part, Pensive Richard lost the match in the third period.

Letter to the Editors

Sirs,

A few weeks ago I had the opportunity to be an observer at a meeting of our Social Council. Being merely a first-time observer and not a member of the Council, I was somewhat shocked at what I saw. Perhaps if I were to be present at Social Council meetings every other week, I too would soon assume the apathy and general state of disorder which are characteristic of the Council and its members.

I was greatly impressed by the lack of interest in Social Council business. The meeting seemed to follow a set pattern: 1) Social Council officers suggest a motion; 2) some very willing pawn formally makes the motion; 3) a friend happily seconds the motion; 4) a valiant member tries to discuss the motion; 5) he finds it difficult to talk amidst the great chaos and gives up; 6) a bored member calls for the question; 7) the Council votes affirmative; 8) the motion is voted on—passing or being defeated depending how breakfast or lunch tasted.

Confusion

But who can blame Council for being bored? Half the time there is such confusion that members do not know the exact nature of the motion on the floor. The rest of the time the officers are also confused, having failed to prepare for possible questions or other problems. If Miss Crumline and company would take the trouble to familiarize themselves with the motions which they so easily push through the Council, this would

avoid considerable loss of time and order.

I realize that this year's Social Council has greatly revised the ineffective procedures of their predecessors. However, I see this as no reason for them to now sit back and say, "We've done our job."

If Social Council, or any representative body of Shaker students, claims the right to help govern our school, the least we can expect of it is that it should be something more than a rubber stamp of its officers—an inefficient rubber stamp, at that.

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Wetbacks Sink at Kent; Rise to Swamp Euclid

The Shaker High swim team traveled to Kent State University on January 10, for the Kent State Relays, and hosted Lake Erie League rival Euclid at home on January 15. Shaker finished eighth out of twelve at Kent, but rebounded to swamp Euclid, 68-27.

At Kent, the mermen finished with 58 points, 33 behind winning McKinley. Shaker's best showing was in the 400-yard Individual Medley relay, in which Rennie McCrane, Fred Arsham, Tom Marshall, and Bob Haas took second place with a 4:07.3 timing. In the 400-yard freestyle relay, Crane, Haas, Marshall, and Ken LaVetter took third place, coming in at 3:33.

The dual meet with Euclid was a double victory for Shaker when the varsity and junior varsity defeated Euclid by decisive scores. The 100-yard medley relay team (1:25.9) of David Crane, Alan Gross, Webb Young, and LaVetter, plus the 150-yard freestyle relay team (1:13.3) of Steve Green, Jim Mendelsohn, Richard Silver, and Gross both gained seven points.

Bob Haas won two individual honors in the 400 and 200-yard freestyle, as did Rennie Crane in the 40 and 100-yard freestyle events. Ken LaVetter won the 100-yard butterfly in 1:00.0, Tom Marshall the 160-yard Individual Medley in 1:48.2, and Bob Power won the 100-yard breaststroke event in 1:05.4.

The junior-varsity triumphed 75-18, as John Findeisen won two events, and Larry Mueller, Jim Chofin, Rik Rehm, Fred Herbold, Pete Jacques, and Russ Garron also took 5 points for

Shaker. The 160-yard relay team was also victorious with a time of 1:28.8.

Shaker (3-0), and Heights (3-0), lead the Lake Erie League, but the final outcome is far from being settled. The probable outcome, according to Coach Paul Stark, is that Shaker Heights will surmount all obstacles and attain final victory. However, Lakewood could also gain a share of the championship. The key meet will be the Heights meet at Shaker, for it could produce or break a tie for the title.

On Wednesday, January 23, the mermen played host to the Heights swimmers and lost a close 54-41 decision. The meet was closer than the score indicates and the Tiger relay teams were forced to break pool record times in order to subdue the Raiders.

Shaker's title hopes were damaged severely last Friday when the swimmers were beaten by Lakewood at the Rangers' pool. The loss drops the Raiders into a tie with Lakewood for second place in the L.E.L.

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